

**New Marlborough Planning Board  
Wednesday January 28, 2015**

**Attendees:**

**Chair:** Patricia Hardyman

**Members:** Jamie Mullen, Charlie Parton

**Other attendees:** Jane Tant (clerk)

**Call to Order:** 7:30 pm

**Public Comment/Surveyors:** None

**Review of Mail:**

- Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation announcement of a planned third Massachusetts Open Space Conference and providing an opportunity for input on open space issues to be addressed at the workshop. Members discussed providing input for the workshop and potential attendance once it is scheduled.
- Town of Monterey Planning Board Notice of Decision to grant the application of David and Jennifer Quisenberry for replacement of dock and steps at 30 Bidwell Road subject to specified limitations.
- Town of Sheffield Planning Board Notice of Public Hearings held December 17, 2014 on a range of proposed amendments to the Sheffield Zoning Bylaws including:
  - Provisions regarding Registered Marijuana Dispensary Overlay District;
  - Restaurant definition and permitting for the General Business District;
  - Major Commercial Development permitting and size conditions for the General Business District; and
  - Definitions of Electric Utility and addition to provision regarding temporary moratorium on Smart Grid/Smart Meter Installation.
- Town of Monterey Planning Board Notice of Public Hearing on application for special permit to build a screened porch at 435 Main Road.
- Town of Sheffield Planning Board Notice of Public Hearing regarding the Special Permit application of Stor-It-All, Inc. for construction of (4) self-storage unit buildings at 87 Sheffield Business Park.
- Town of Monterey Planning Board Notice of Public Hearing on zoning bylaw changes to correct inadvertent omissions, provide clarifications and promote consistency.
- Town of Monterey Planning Board Notice of Decision to grant the application of Nanette V. Hucknall Trust to construct a screened porch on an existing deck at 2 Point Road subject to specified limitations.

Town of Monterey Planning Board Notice of Public Hearing on the application of Michael A. and Stephanie B. Sloane to raze the existing structure and replace with a bigger structure on a non-conforming lot at 16 Point Road.

**Review and Approval of Minutes of Prior Meetings:**

Minutes of the October 29, 2014 meeting were approved as amended.

**Old Business:**

Members reviewed and discussed a definition of maximum gross floor area drafted by Ms. Hardyman subsequent to the October 29, 2014 meeting without reaching consensus.

Mr. Mullen informed the Board that contact with the Berkshire Regional Planning Commission confirmed the New Marlborough application for a 2015 District Local Technical Assistance grant had been reviewed. However, funding of 2015 DLTA grants is questionable due to cost containment measures put in place by the new Governor's administration to curtail the Commonwealth's budget deficit.

Ms. Hardyman informed the Board a "flat budget" request for FY2016 was submitted to the Finance Committee in December. No questions or comments from the Finance Committee or Select Board have been received.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30pm.